## **Northgate Stakeholders Group**

# **Convening Process**

When the City Council passed resolution 30641 and 30642, with the Mayor's concurrence, on December 8, 2003, the City committed to create a **Northgate stakeholders group**.

The resolution identified 22 seats for this group:

- 1. King County/Metro
- 2. Simon Properties
- 3. Maple Leaf Community Council
- 4. Licton Springs Community Council
- 5. Haller Lake Community Council
- 6. Pinehurst Community Council
- 7. Victory Heights Community Council
- 8. Northgate Chamber of Commerce
- 9. Thornton Creek Alliance
- 10. Thornton Creek Legal Defense Fund
- 11. North Seattle Community College
- 12. Northwest Hospital

- 13. Property owners of 3 acres or more
- 14. Residents in senior housing (resident or staff)
- 15. Residents in apartments/condominiums
- 16. Multi-family housing developers
- 17. Businesses inside the Mall
- 18. Businesses outside the Mall
- 19. Youth groups
- 20. Organized labor in the Northgate area
- 21. At-large
- 22. At-large

# **Stakeholders Group Purpose**

This group is being created to offer advice to the City on the following set of issues (specified in resolution 30642):

- Planning for large lot developments including but not limited to the Northgate Mall, the South Lot, and King County's transit-oriented development project
- An Urban Center Plan for open space and pedestrian connections including bicycle and pedestrian circulation and streetscape improvements
- Coordinated Transportation Investment Plan
- Implementation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Streetscape Design

#### **Convening the Stakeholders Group**

Resolution 30642 specified different approaches for filling the seats on the stakeholders group.

- *Seats 1-12:* The resolution asks the organizations and interests named to fill seats 1-12 to select their representative and alternate. The City is sending letters to the named groups asking them to notify the City of their selections.
- Seats 13-22: To solicit nominations for the remaining seats on the stakeholders group, the City is sending letters and using various outreach methods to invite individuals and groups who have expressed interest in Northgate issues. The City

- also will invite businesses inside and outside the Mall to a meeting to explain the stakeholders group process and encourage nominations for the two business seats.
- To assist the City in organizing the stakeholders group, as specified in resolution 30642, an independent professional facilitation team, Triangle Associates, Inc. has been hired. Triangle Associates will solicit members for the stakeholders group per resolution 30642.

## Geographic Area

For the purposes of the stakeholders group, the Northgate planning area is defined as the area in the Northgate Area Comprehensive Plan. It is bounded on the north by N. 130<sup>th</sup> St., on the west by Ashworth, and on the south by NE 85<sup>th</sup> St. The eastern boundary begins at 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE and N. 130th and curves gradually westward, ending at 18<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and NE 85<sup>th</sup> St.

#### Timeframe

The group is expected to provide advice to the City on the specified issues over the remainder of 2004.